

Landsat Science Team

Landsat Operations Report

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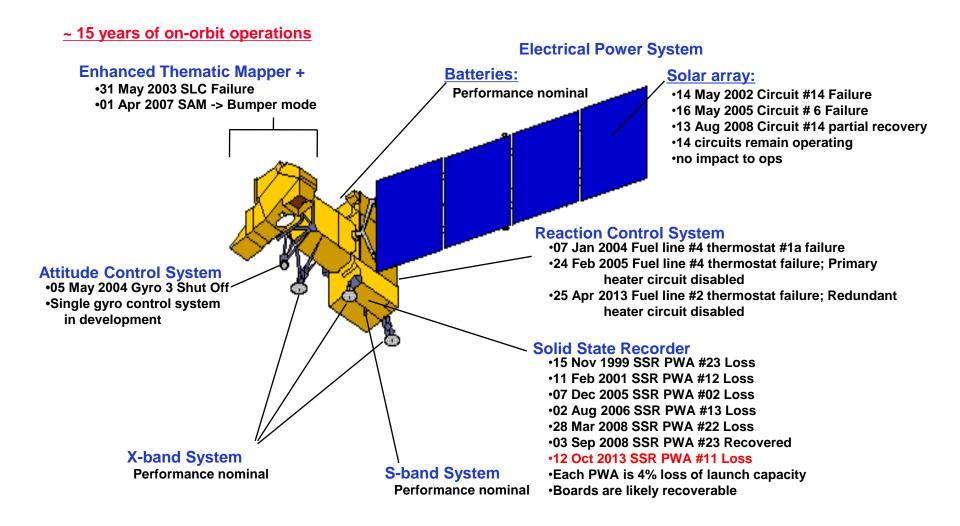
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Agenda

- L7 Status
- L8 Status
- Data Acquisition Update
- LGAC Update
- Level 1 Data Production Improvements
- Archive and Distribution Metrics for Reference

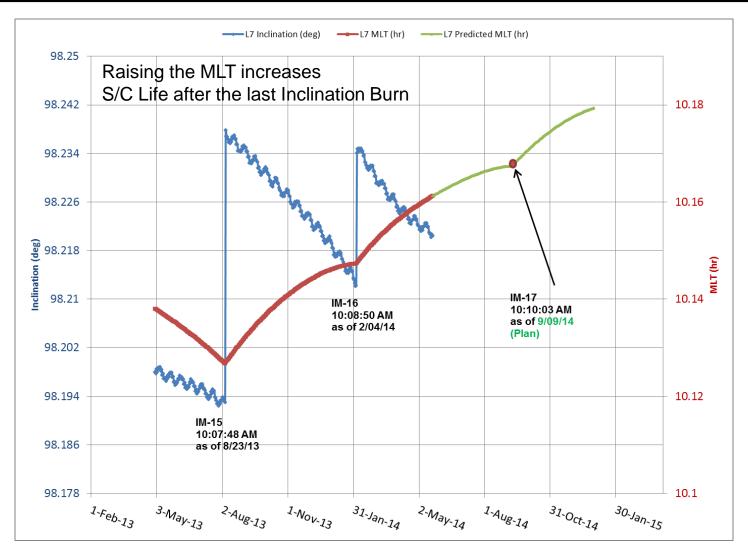


Spacecraft Status: Summary



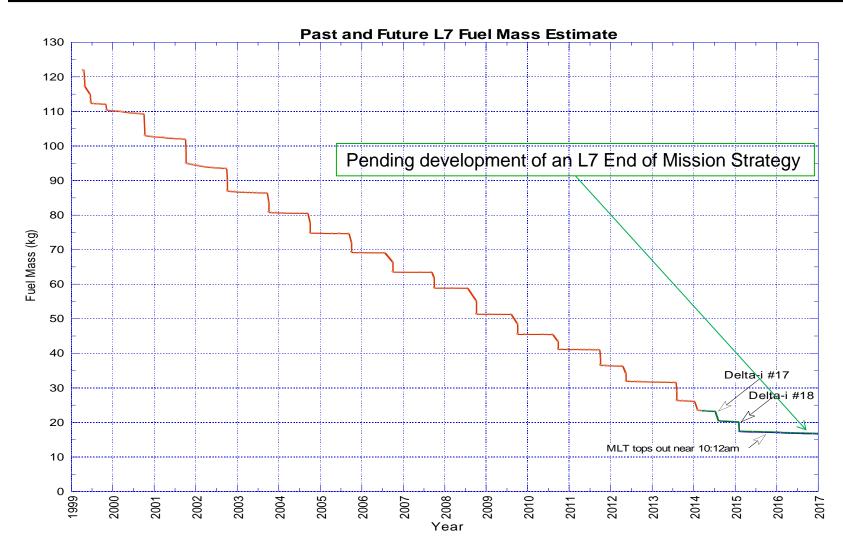


L7 Mean Local Time and Inclination



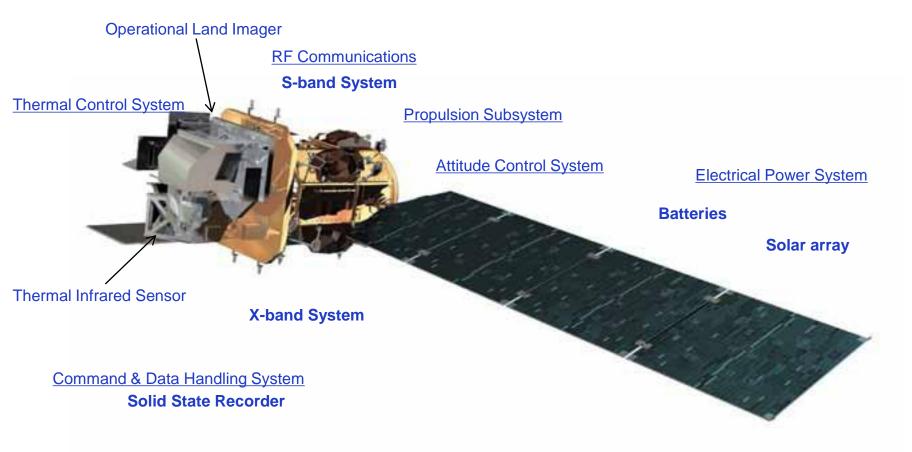


Fuel Usage and Prediction





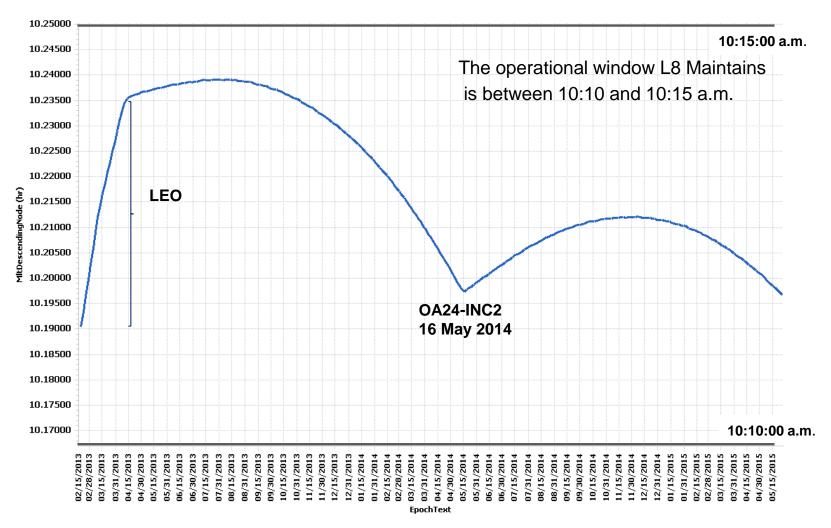
Landsat 8 Spacecraft Status



All systems good



L8 Mean Local Time





Activity Summary/Payload Performance/Anomalies

- Sun Acquisition Safe Hold Event
 - DOY 262 19 Sep 2013
 - Landsat 8 spacecraft performed an ACS safehold response, per design, for an attitude control error condition
 - A deviation from the routine Ops Con (one lunar calibration per month) was made in order to add an additional lunar calibration to gather data on TIRS lunar ghost artifacts
 - In Summary: A lunar calibration requires a special file to drive the spacecraft slew profile. Because we attempted 2 calibrations, the second file was loaded before the first scan started. This resulted in the spacecraft slewing to the wrong place tripping the attitude alarms.
 - 40 hours recovery time to return to science collection



Activity Summary/Payload Performance/Anomalies

- Coarse Earth Safehold Event
 - DOY 119 29 Apr 2014
 - Landsat 8 spacecraft performed an ACS safehold response, per design, for a projected solar incursion into the instrument bore sight FOV
 - The event occurred during an extended eclipse period due to a moon shadow event - a very unusual geometry
 - In Summary: The Coarse Sun Sensors could not definitively determine the attitude of the spacecraft, so as designed, the spacecraft placed itself in a safe attitude with the instruments protected
 - 38 hours recovery time to return to science collection



Long-Term Acquisition Plan

Constraints

Landsat 7

- Daily limit constraints have been removed
- Duty cycle constraints
- Storage capacity constraints
- Sun-lit land and descending scenes
- Managing ETM+ duty cycle and power cycles to extend mission life

Landsat 8

- Solid state recorder facilitates global acquisition of images
- No health and safety constraints on day-lit imaging
- Cost constraints on downlinks, processing and archive
- Physical constraints currently limit night imaging

Science imaging

Landsat 7

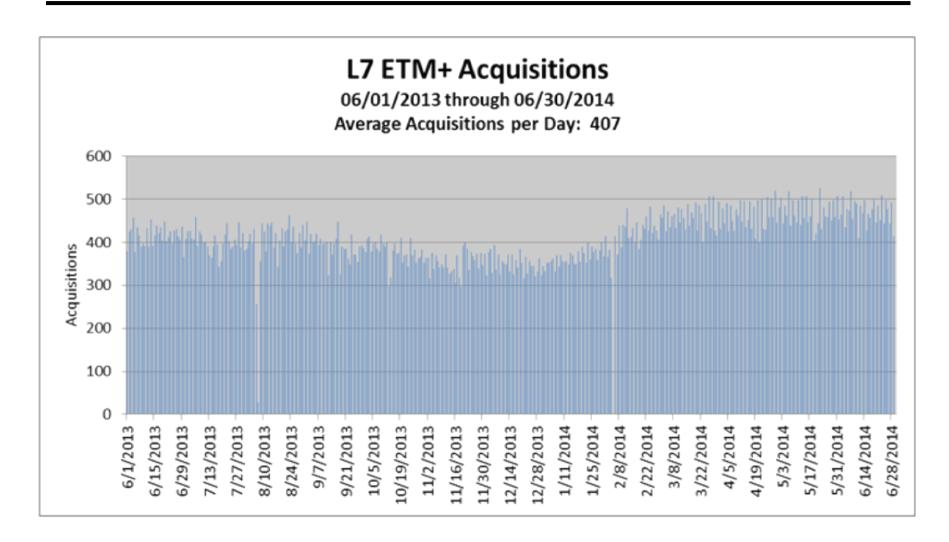
- Reduced imaging of islands, water and Antarctica
- Increased imaging of continental land masses
- Acquire average of 438 images/day
- Limited night imaging best thermal sensor

Landsat 8

- Acquire 550 or more images per day
- Cloud prediction threshold: 98% or higher
- Decreasing priority ramp in polar zones proportional to sidelap
- Increase Arctic & Antarctica acquisitions
- Support large water campaigns
- Higher island priority
- Support ascending node day campaigns
- Support limited night special requests (such as, urban heat island, fires and volcanoes)

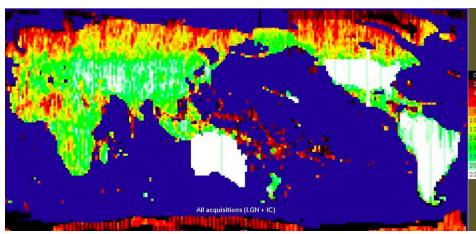


Landsat 7 Acquisitions



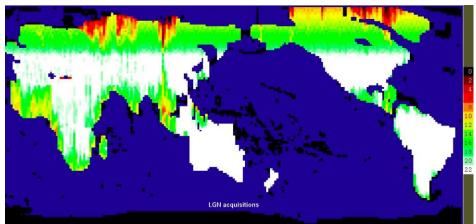


Landsat 7 Continental Model





- Areas in white are always acquired
- NH Summer Average: 482 images/day of 550 opportunities
- NH Winter Average: 357 images/day of 358 opportunities



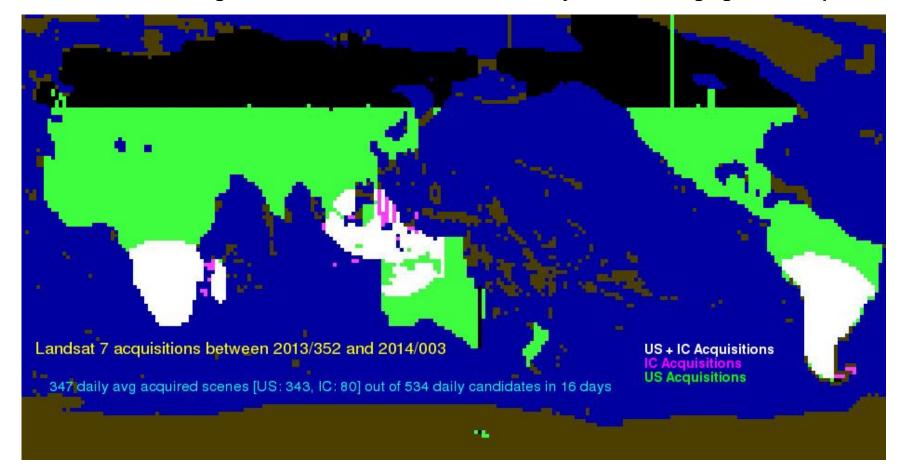
Modeled one-year global coverage

Daily Average Metrics	Continental Model	Prior to Continental
Qualifying Candidate Scenes	479 scenes/day	536 scenes/day
Acquisition Rate (LGN)	438 scenes/day	375 scenes/day
	(91% of candidates)	(70% of candidates)
ETM+ duty cycle	14.40%	15.10%
ETM+ power cycles	17.5	28.6
Average ACCA	47.5	37.3
Clear scene acquisition rate	129 scenes/day	126 scenes/day
(ACCA ≤10)	(29% of acquisitions)	(34% of acquisitions)
Marginal scene acquisition rate	230 scenes/day	238 scenes/day
(ACCA ≤ 50)	(53% of acquisitions)	(64% of acquisitions)



Constraints Influence Landsat 7 Seasonal Coverage

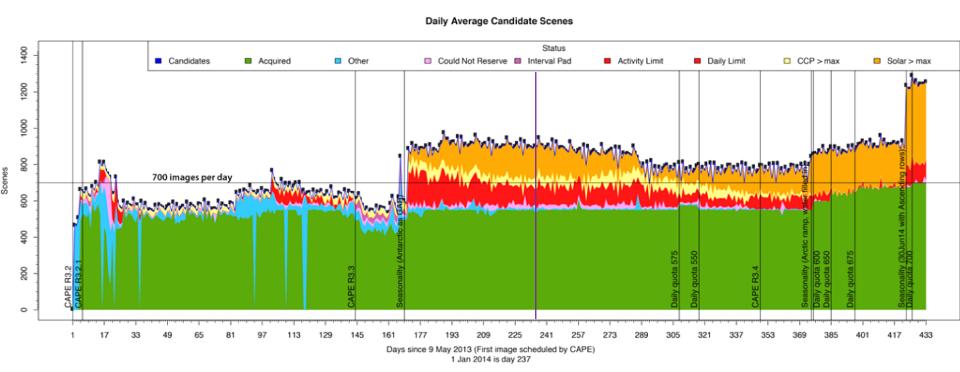
- No images rejected during NH winter when fewer day-lit opportunities exist
- We are considering increased constraints in the Arctic to yield more imaging in the Tropics





Landsat 8 Acquisitions

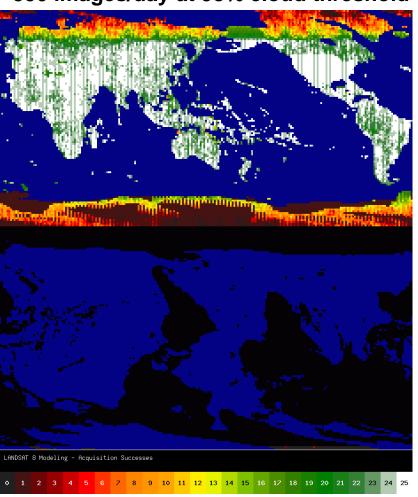
- Gold represents scenes rejected due to sunlight
- Red are rejected scenes based on limits
- Yellow are cloud cover rejections



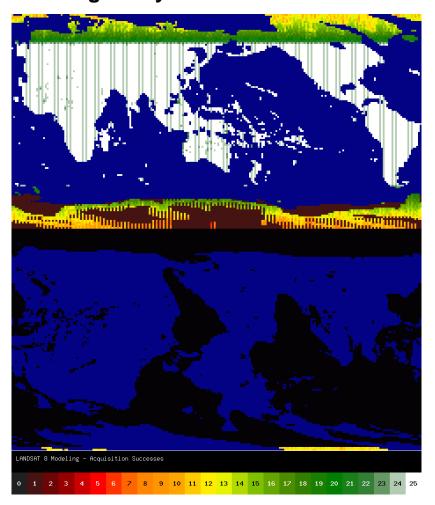


Landsat 8 – Number of Images

550 images/day at 98% cloud threshold



650 images/day at 100% cloud threshold





Landsat 8 Daily Limit Investigation

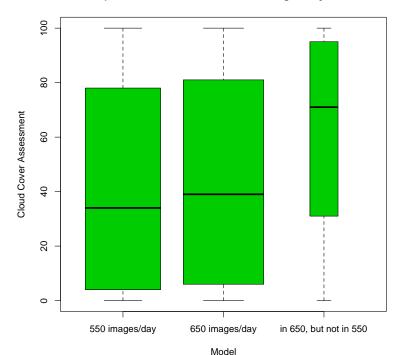
- During the 2014 Northern Hemisphere Growing Season the daily imaging rate will be gradually increased to establish upper bounds and an optimal daily imaging rate
 - Increase from 550 to 600, then to 650 and remove cloud prediction threshold
 - Evaluate this increase, then increase in 25 image increments until
 - all day-lit descending land scenes are imaged or
 - constraints are encountered
- Use results to establish optimal daily imaging rate for operational imaging



Landsat 8 550 and 650 model results

- Images acquired by the 650 model and rejected by the 550 model
 - 25% of the acquisitions have an ACCA score of 31 or better
 - 50% of the acquisitions have an ACCA score of 71 or better
 - Or 50 images/day with cloud cover better than 71% are rejected at 550 images/day
- Science requirement for additional 100 images/day
 - Cloud prediction confidence in many persistently cloudy areas (boreal and humid tropics) is low
 - The geometric fidelity of Landsat 8 images permit all data to be coregistered
 - Over time the threshold for acceptable cloud cover in acquired scenes has increased as registration and atmospheric models improved

Comparison between 650 and 550 images/day models



	Cloud Cover Assessment		
	550 model	650 model	100 difference
1st Quartile	4	6	31
Median	34	39	71
Mean	41.55	44.01	61.64
3 rd Quartile	78	81	95

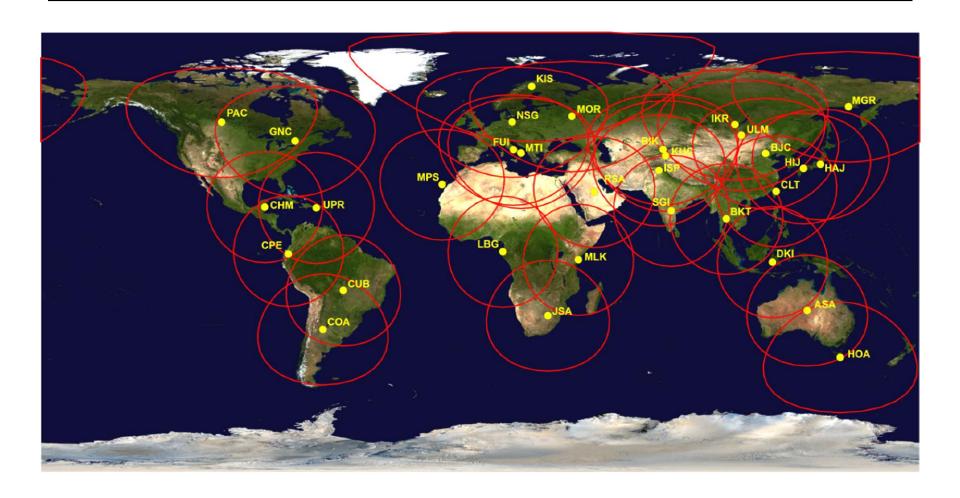




Landsat Global Archive Consolidation (LGAC) – June 2014



Historical Landsat Ground Stations



^{*} Does not include Landsat Ground Network (LGN) stations



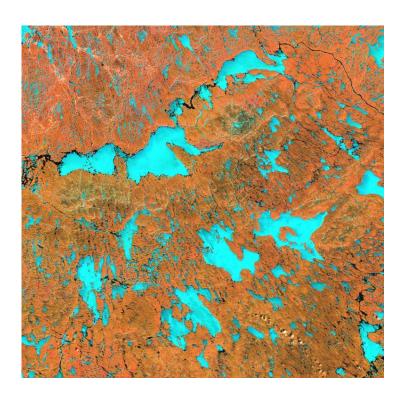
Landsat Global Archive Consolidation (LGAC)

- Over <u>3 Million</u> scenes collected as of July 1, 2014
- Previous "Woodcock Metric":

2,550,354

• Current (7/1/14): 3,025,557

Estimate was initially about 5M total scenes so well over half way there!

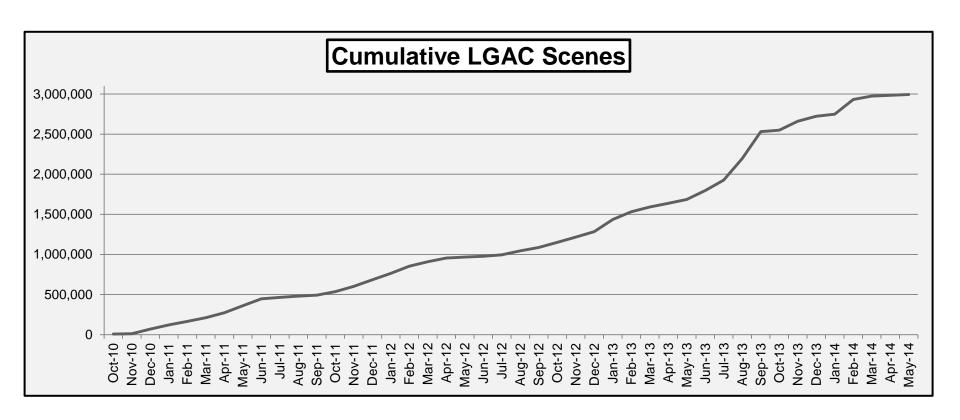


Landsat 5 TM image transcribed from CCRS D-1 tape – available in archive



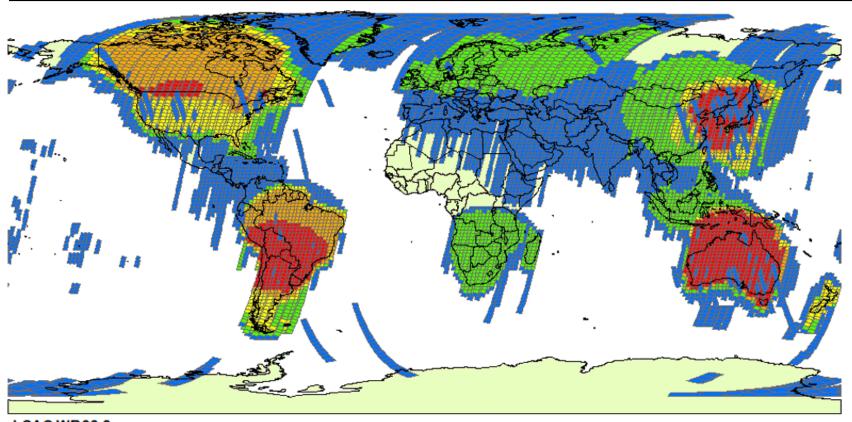
LGAC Major Accomplishments

Cumulative LGAC Scenes Ingested into the Archive





LGAC Ingest Summary

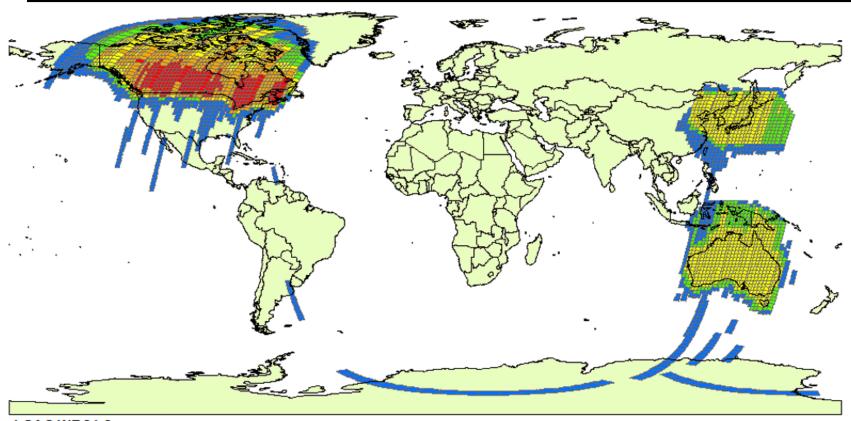


LGAC WRS2 Scenes
Status as of May 31, 2014
Acquisition Date Range: August 22, 1982 through May 30, 2014
3,021,524 Cumulative Scenes Delivered
2,856,728 Total WRS2 Scenes Acquired
13,044 Unique WRS2 Path/Rows

1 - 85 86 - 242 243 - 473 474 - 762 763 - 1090



LGAC Ingest Summary



LGAC WRS1 Scenes Status as of May 31, 2014 Acquisition Date Range: July 26, 1972 through March 31, 1983 3,021,524 Cumulative Scenes Delivered 164,796 Total WRS1 Scenes Acquired 3,521 Unique WRS1 Path/Rows



LGAC Status

Country (Organization)	Ground Station	% LGAC Delivered	% LGAC Ingested
Argentina (CONAE)	COA	TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Australia (GA-NEO)	ASA	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Australia (GA-NEO)	НОА	TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Brazil (INPE)	CUB	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Canada (CCMEO)	GNC	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Canada (CCMEO)	MEO) PAC	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+

- In process data delivery from Argentina (LTOs)
- Brazil MSS HDDTs
 - 1st set of sample HDDTs was unsuccessful, investigating second set of tapes
 - ~875 tapes waiting at Brazil to be sent



LGAC Status

Country (Organization)	Ground Station	% LGAC Delivered	% LGAC Ingested
China (RADI)	BJC	TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
China (RADI)	KHC	TM	TM
Ecuador (IEE)	CPE	TM	TM
Europe (ESA)	FUI	MSS	MSS
		TM	ТМ
		ETM+	ETM+
Europe (ESA)	KIS	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Europe (ESA)	MTI	TM	ТМ
		ETM+	ETM+
Europe (ESA)	NSG	ETM+	ETM+
India (NRSA)	dia (NRSA) SGI	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
Indonesia (LAPAN)	DKI	TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+

- In process data delivery from China (electronic), Ecuador (DLTs) and Europe (USB HDs)
 - Europe is reprocessing all data allowing EROS to ingest raw data during reprocessing
 - Finish Kiruna (KIS) then work other stations
 - Issues with missing PCD with about 500,000 TM scenes
 - Ability to ingest resolved
 - Working on production capability
- Agreement with India is in-work.
 - Exchange real-time L7 downlinks
 - Test downlinks provided and ground processing being worked by India



LGAC Status

Country (Organization)	Ground Station	% LGAC Delivered	% LGAC Ingested
Japan (HIT/HEEIC)	HIJ	ETM+	ETM+
Japan	HAJ	MSS	MSS
(JAXA/RESTEC)		TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Kyrgyzstan (DLR)	BIK	TM	TM
Mongolia (DLR)	ULM	TM	TM
Pakistan (SUPARCO)	ISP	TM	TM
Saudi Arabia (KACST)	RSA	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
South Africa (SANSA)	JSA	MSS	MSS
			TM
		ETM+	ETM+
Taiwan (CSRSR-NCU)	CLT	TM	TM
Thailand (GISTDA)	BKT	MSS	MSS
		TM	TM
		ETM+	ETM+
US (U of Puerto Rico)	UPR	ETM+	ETM+

- In process data delivery from Saudi Arabia (HDDTs) and South Africa (electronic)
- Verbal commitment from Thailand GISTDA Executive Director during May 13, 2014 EROS visit. On GISTDA executive board meeting August 1, 2014



Technical Barriers

- Recovery of old data is a challenge! E.g. 2x bake->clean->read
- Brazil (INPE) HDDT drive loaned to USGS (lower left)
- USGS Legacy drives (center)
- 2,540 Pakistan HDDTs (lower right)
- Parts sent from IC stations (upper right)







Remaining Work

- Receive a copy of all Landsat data from ICs that have not yet delivered data or have not yet agreed to participate
- Complete ingest of all data received
- Continued system improvements to produce L1Ts
- Develop additional MSS data format converters
 - Many different format types
 - Handling of partially processed data
- Continue to refine process for reading data off of old media
 - HDDTs
 - DCRSi tapes



Key Data Production Improvements

Item	Additional Information	Status
Integration of new cloud mask algorithm (fmask)	TM, ETM+, and OLI/TIRS	In work – Winter 2014/2015
Ground Control Chip (GCP) library updates Phase I	177 Path/Row combinations improved	Fall 2014 (Markham)
GCP Phase II	Low-latitude areas	Winter 2014/2015
GCP Phase III	High-latitude areas	Follows Phase II
Pseudo-invariant calibration image assessment enhancements	Further automates the generation of average radiance values for any vicarious cal site	Completed Feb 2014
TIRS bias adjustment and L8 data reprocessing	Initial updates and reprocessing. Larger update in work (Markham)	Completed – March 2014
ETM+ Level-1 Systematic Terrain Fallback	Fall back to terrain corrected systematic when precision ground control can't be applied	Analysis in work; system capability exists.



Key Data Production Improvements

Item	Additional Information	Status
Increase product distribution space	Increase distribution space by 2x!	Fall 2014
ESA TM 'missing PCD' data ingest	Updates to legacy LACS system to ingest select LGAC TM scenes (affects ~ 500,000 scenes)	In work – Summer 2014
Level 1 data format study	More flexible alternatives to gzip'd L1T	Study wrapping up, requires feedback, no implementation planned at this time
TOA Reflectance (L1-7 consistency w/L8)	Reflectance scaling factors (multiplicative and additive) which are scene based coefficients in mtl file for L1-7 (no sun angle correction)	Winter 2014/2015
TOA Reflectance Enhanced Metadata	Scene-specific per-pixel solar azimuth and sensor viewing angle enhanced metadata to allow users to convert to reflectance	Winter 2014/2015, TM/ETM+ follows OLI/TIRS



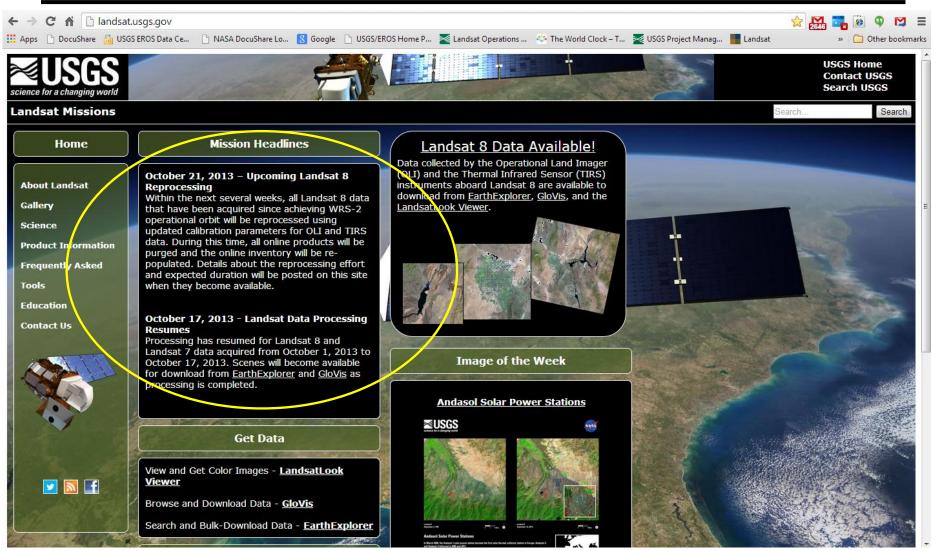
Data Improvements In Queue

Item	Additional Information	Status / Plan
Quality Band (L1-7, potential updates to L8)	Define quality band for each sensor (MSS, TM, ETM+). Potential updates to OLI/TIRS	Started – Science Feedback
TIRS Ghosting	Being worked by cal team	? (Markham)
Land-based cloud cover score	Calculate CCA on land-only - provide in metadata / user search	Spring 2015
Landsat DEM Improvement	Augment or replace existing GLS2000 DEM	Study in queue, USGS Topo project
Product 'versioning' updates	Improve data so users can more readily determine changes in the product	Need a plan - science feedback



Check LMWS for Product Updates

http://landsat.usgs.gov





Product Improvements - TOA Reflectance

- First Release Reflectance Rescaling Coefficients in Metadata (MSS,TM, ETM+)
 - Reflectance scaling factors (multiplicative and additive) which are scene based coefficients in mtl file for L1-7 (no sun angle correction)
 - Conversion to TOA Reflectance explained at http://landsat.usgs.gov/Landsat8_Using_Product.php
- Second Release Enhanced Metadata / Angle Coefficient File
 - Landsat OLI/TIRS
 - Scene-specific per-pixel solar azimuth and sensor viewing angle coefficient file
 - Allows users to perform per-pixel correction when converting to reflectance
 - Will provide a tool to access data to build angle bands
 - Landsat TM/ETM+
 - Concept is similar to L8; analysis in work



Product Improvements Quality Band / CFMASK

Landsat 1-7 Quality Band Definition

- TM and ETM+
 - Cloud/shadow content from cfmask
 - 'No-data' / quality from SLC-Off for ETM+
 - Saturated Pixels
- MSS
 - Saturated Pixels
 - 'No-data' mask
- Landsat 8 Quality Band Refinement
 - cfmask replaces cloud/shadow content
 - Other improvements / updates (defer to John)



Level 1 Data Format Study

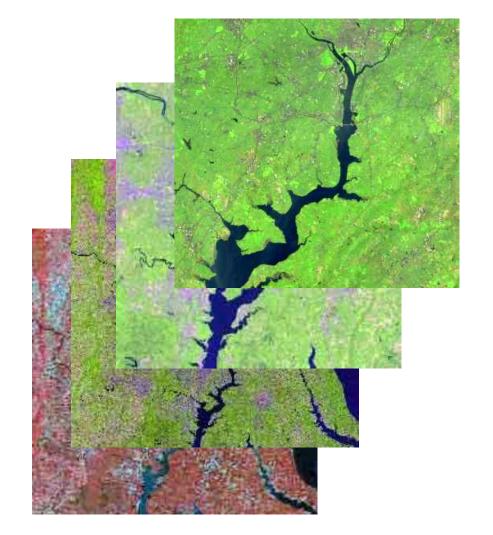
- Level-1 products are GeoTIFF format compressed into single file using UNIX tar and zip functions
 - Efficient for storage and distribution over the network
 - Users must uncompress and untar downloaded data before use
 - Users are requesting selection of band-specific data for their application purposes
 - Not feasible for some immediate access services (OGC services)
- USGS is performing a study to analyze product format alternatives and plans to produce product samples
 - · Given magnitude of data, compression is highly desirable
 - Looking at: 1) GeoTiff w/compression 2) HDF5 w/compression 3) JPEG2000 w/compression
- Plan to solicit science feedback
 - Preliminary results are favoring JPEG2000



U.S. Landsat Archive Overview

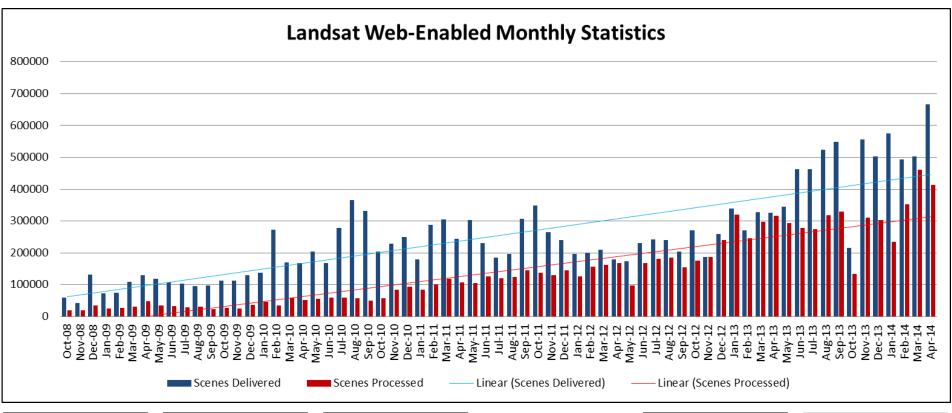
(July 1, 2014)

- OLI-TIRS: Landsat 8
 - 252,440 scenes
 - ~ 872 TB Raw and L0Ra Data average scene size 1813 MB
- ETM+: Landsat 7
 - 1,766,142 scenes
 - ~ 1,640 TB Raw and L0Ra Data average scene size 487 MB
- TM: Landsat 4 & Landsat 5
 - 1,941,390 scenes
 - ~ 973 TB Raw and L0Ra Data average scene size 263 MB
- MSS: Landsat 1 through 5
 - 1,314,377 scenes
 - ~ 80 TB Raw and L0Ra Data average scene size 32 MB
- Total:
 - 5,274,349 scenes
 - ~ 3,565 TB Raw and L0Ra Data





Monthly Downloads / Processed



FY09

Delivered: 1.14M Processed: 358K

FY10

Delivered: 2.45M Processed: 567K

FY11

Delivered: 2.92M Processed: 1.27M

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Delivered: 2.73M Processed: 1.82M

FY12

FY13

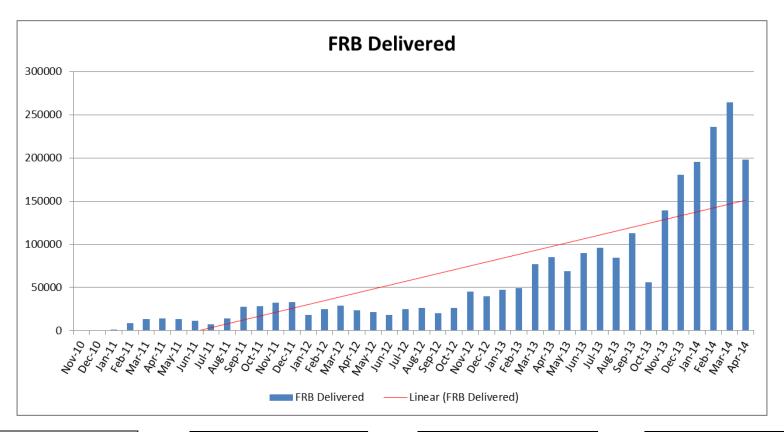
Delivered: 4.32M Processed: 3.28M

FY14 (Sep-Apr)

Delivered: 3.51M Processed: 2.21M



Monthly Full Resolution Browse Downloads



FY11 (Oct '10-Sep '11)

Delivered: 112K

FY12 (Oct '11-Sep '12)

Delivered: 301K

FY13 (Oct '12-Sep '13)

Delivered: 823K

FY14 (Oct '13-Apr '14)

Delivered: 1,270K



Questions?



Additional Information

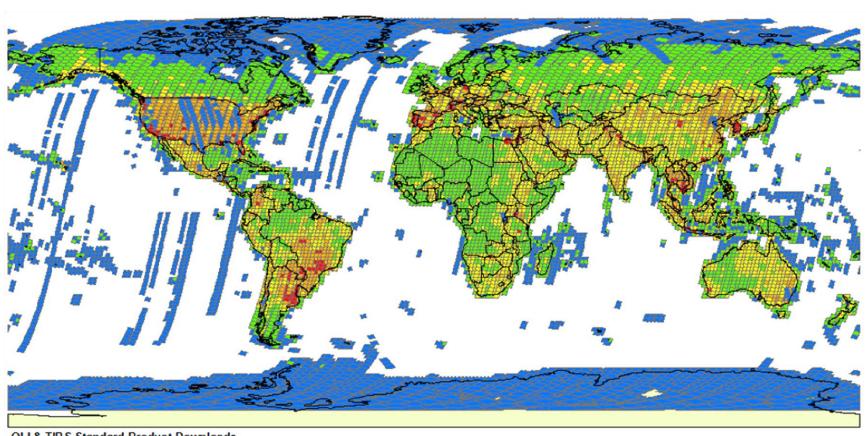


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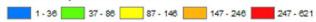
- All statistics generated for the period of October 2013 through April 2014



OLI / TIRS Downloads

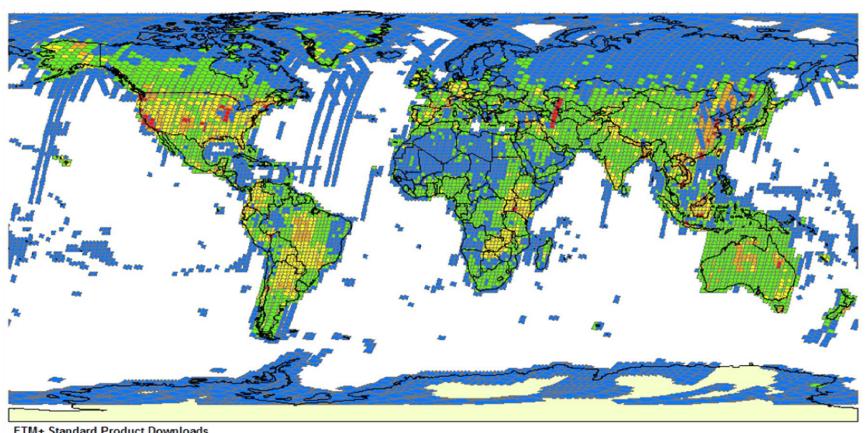


OLI & TIRS Standard Product Downloads via User Interface and Bulk Users October 01, 2013 through April 30, 2014 3,263,192 Total Cumulative Scenes Delivered 887,632 Total OLI & TIRS Scenes Delivered 16,148 Unique OLI & TIRS Locations





ETM+ Downloads

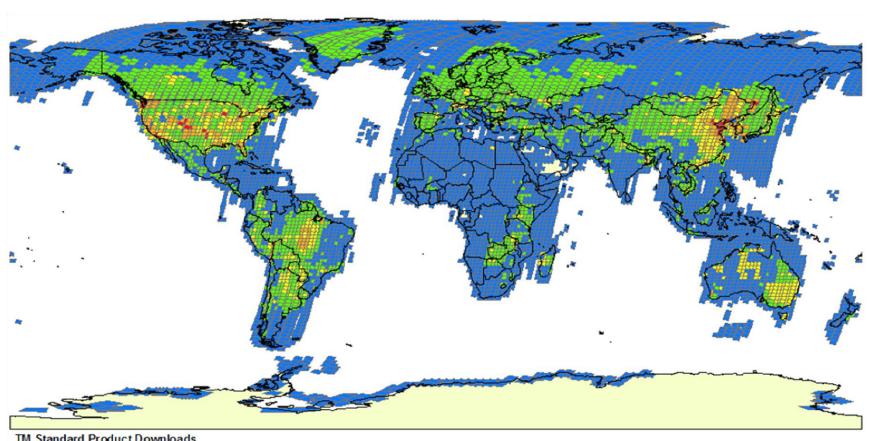


ETM+ Standard Product Downloads via User Interface and Bulk Users October 01, 2013 through April 30, 2014 3,263,192 Total Cumulative Scenes Delivered 936,322 Total ETM+ Scenes Delivered 13,965 Unique ETM+ Locations





TM Downloads

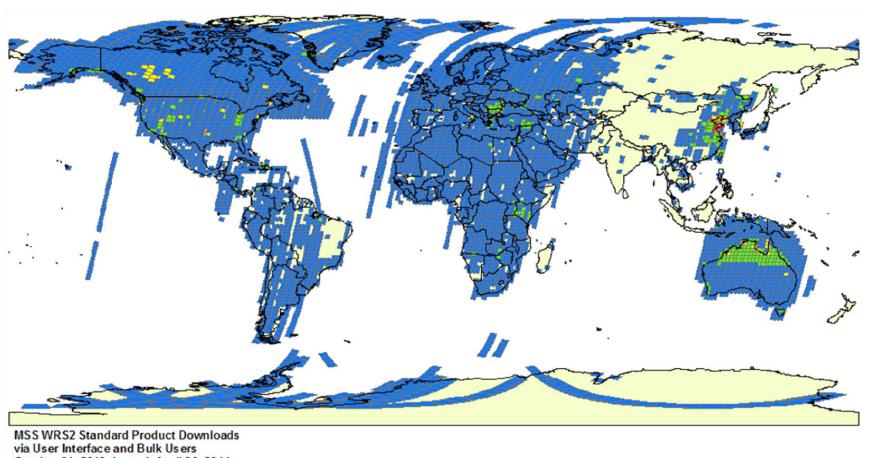


TM Standard Product Downloads via User Interface and Bulk Users October 01, 2013 through April 30, 2014 3,263,192 Total Cumulative Scenes Delivered 916,647 Total TM Scenes Delivered 11,347 Unique TM Locations

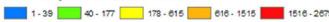
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MSS WRS-2 Downloads

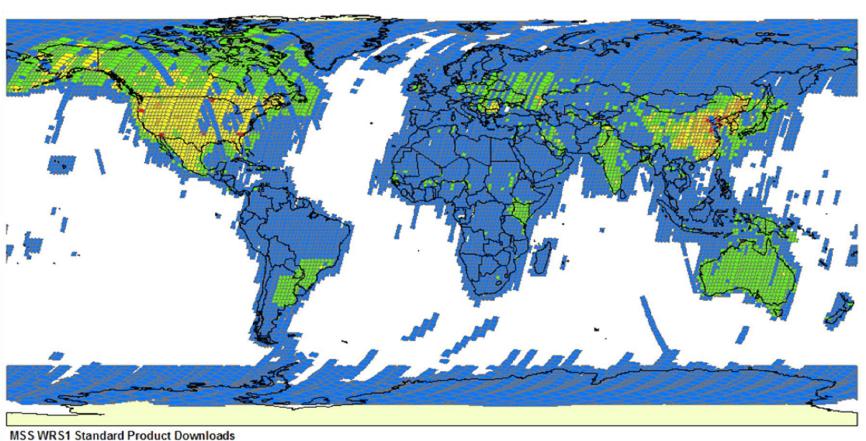


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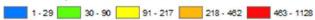




MSS WRS-1 Downloads

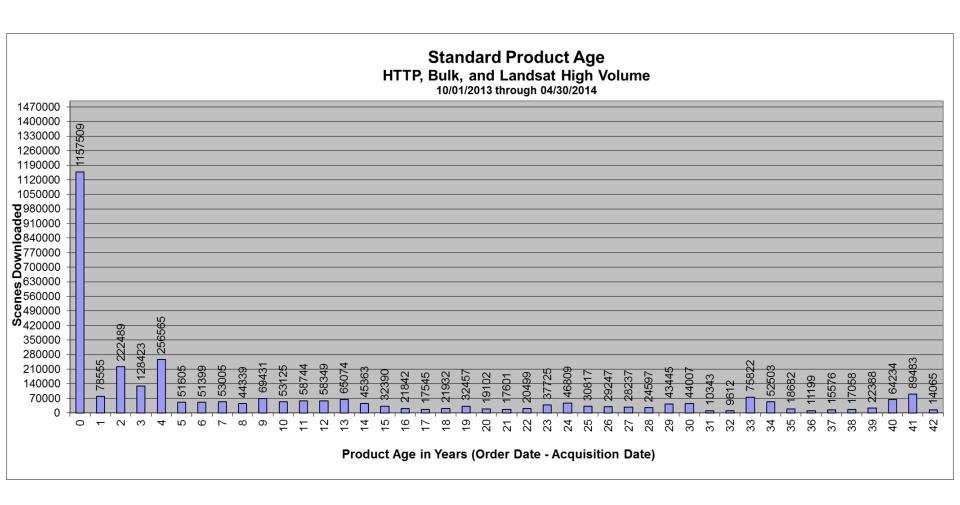


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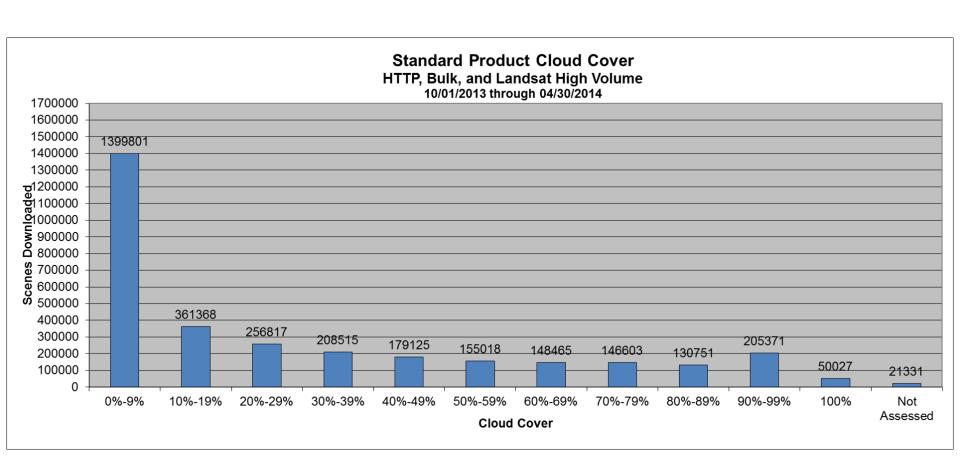


Age of Scenes Downloaded (yearly)



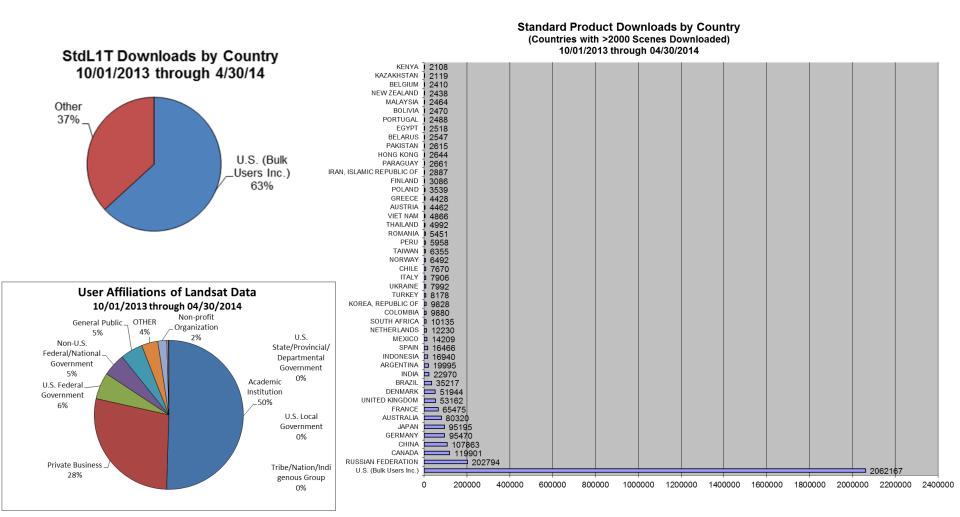


Cloud Cover of Scenes Downloaded





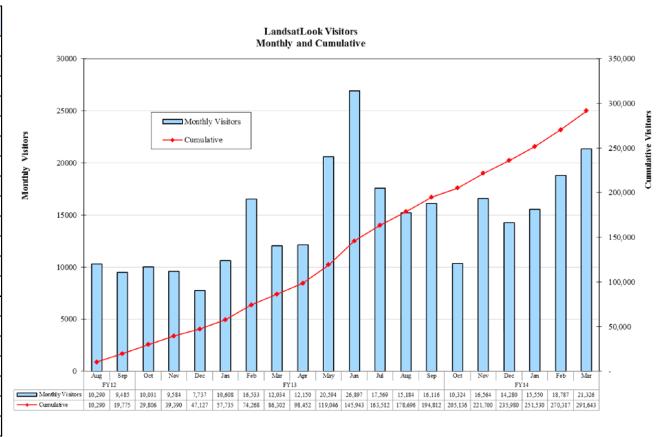
Landsat Distribution Customer <u>Demographics (Oct 2013 – Apr 2014)</u>





Full-Resolution Browse Statistics

	Country	Visitors	% of Total Visitors
1	United States	6,957	38.09%
2	China	1,381	7.56%
3	Russian Federation	886	4.85%
4	Unknow n	721	3.95%
5	Japan	713	3.90%
6	Argentina	570	3.12%
7	India	525	2.87%
8	Brazil	467	2.56%
9	Indonesia	466	2.55%
10	Germany	432	2.37%
11	Australia	417	2.28%
12	Canada	328	1.80%
13	United Kingdom	297	1.63%
14	Mexico	183	1.00%
15	Netherlands	154	0.84%
16	Malaysia	150	0.82%
17	Italy	150	0.82%
18	Colombia	144	0.79%
19	France	134	0.73%
20	Iran	131	0.72%





Single Gyro Control

- USGS continues effort to develop a system capable of controlling the satellite with only 1 functioning gyro (the satellite currently needs 2)
- 3 Phases of Development
 - Phase 1 develop an immediate response to move away from the current orbital slot in the event that another gyro is lost to operations. This plan expires upon the completion of Phase 2a. Completed 1 Jul 2004
 - Phase 2a develop the capability to control the spacecraft in a safe mode with only 1 operational gyro. Completed 1 Feb 2006
 - Phase 2b develop the capability to slew and maneuver the spacecraft with only 1 operational gyro. Completed Aug 2007
 - Phase 3 develop the capability to conduct imaging operations with only 1 operational gyro. In work (initial concept was too intensive for on-board CPU, new version in work. Algorithms were redeveloped and simplified where possible. Coding of FSW is now under way to assess viability of the patch on the 1750A processor and develop FSW loads for implementation of new control system)

Payload Performance and Anomalies

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15 Nov 1999 - SSR PWA #23 failure
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26 Apr 2000 - GXA - ETM+ interaction discovered

11 Feb 2001 - SSR PWA #12 failure

14 May 2002 - EPS Circuit #14 failure

31 Jul 2002 - Gyro 3 motor current spikes

24 Oct 2002 - ETM+ Scan Mirror stops during imaging

31 May 2003 - ETM+ SLC malfunction*

04 Sep 2003 - PDF - FSW timing conflict

05 May 2004 - Gyro 3 Shut down

24 Feb 2005 - RCS Primary heater circuit disabled

16 May 2005 - EPS Circuit #6 failure*

15 Jun 2005 - First of several reduced gyro FSW loads

07 Dec 2005 - SSR PWA #2 failure

01 Feb 2006 - Reduced gyro phase IIa complete

01 Apr 2007 - Switched to ETM+ Bumper mode

28 Mar 2008 - SSR PWA #22 failure

13 Aug 2008 - EPS Circuit #14 recovery

03 Sep 2008 - SSR PWA #23 recovery

25 Apr 2013 - RCS Redundant heater circuit disabled

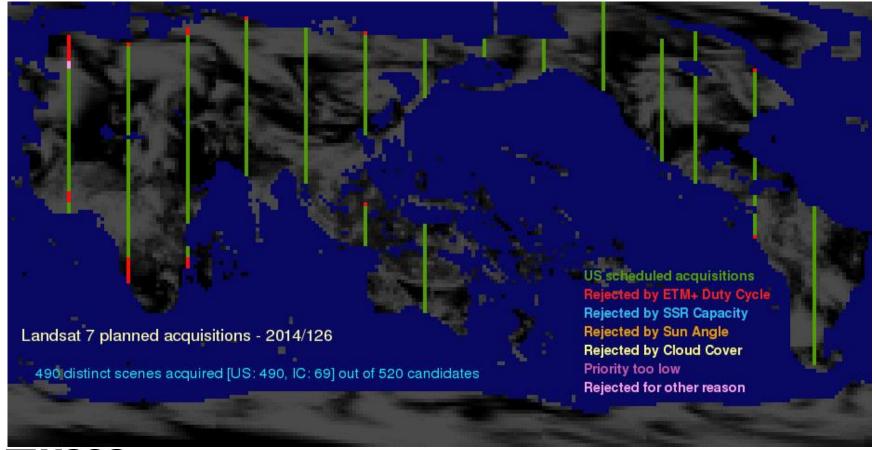
12 Oct 2013 - SSR PWA #11 failure



^{*} Represents a permanent loss of redundancy and/or capability

Constraints Influence Landsat 7 Seasonal Coverage

- Daily limits are removed
- If duty cycle constraints are relaxed, they usually convert to SSR constraints
- To increase acquisitions, more ground contacts are required





Landsat 8 – Reject reasons

- Daily maps with rejection reasons since 29 April
- Graph of rejection



